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May 6, 1904.

Mr. Frank R. Arnold,
University of Utah,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Sir:-- I am just in receipt of your favor of the 5th inst., replying to which I have pleasure in saying that, should you be employed by the College to do the work in languages, your rank would be that of Assistant Professor. This would make you a member of the College Council, and during the absence of the Professor, you would exercise all the functions of the professorship.

Regarding the matter of your position becoming permanent, I may say that, while it is inconsistent for me to anticipate conditions one or two years' hence, it is not improbable that, your work being satisfactory, you would be able to remain permanently in the institution, with such promotion and increase in salary as conditions would warrant.

Without conferring with our Executive Committee, I am unable to say just what salary we shall be able to pay, but it is not likely that the salary would exceed \$1200 or \$1300 for the first year. If you think you could accept the position at some such salary, I shall take the matter up at once, and believe there would be little, if any, difficulty in securing your appointment.

Very truly yours,

President.